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Thursday. My ad for the calendar was in the paper that was published on the 8th and Barbara Groblewski's article on the lecture series were in the NEWS. That made me feel good. I learned that from HLRP when I called to say that I would be arriving at 5:55 P.M. at Martz. At about 7:20 P.M. I arrived in Carbondale--WSP met me at the bus of course and drove us to Box 29--and decided that I wanted to have a cup of coffee before I went into Council Chambers. I parked the car on South Main Street and purchased some coffee at Mister Donut and walked up to City Hall and sat on the front steps and waited for my colleagues to arrive. For several minutes I had the impression that I would be the only person in attendance and was preparing myself psychologically for that reality when from out of the blue, if you please, Rev. Pullis, JVB, John Revak, Bob Tomaine and Joe Pascoe appeared. We chatted in front of the building for a little while and then went up to Council Chambers. I reported on Pioneer Days: the great success of the lecture and film series, the amount of money raised from new memberships and contributions during Pioneer Days (\$1,086.38). I read the list of new members and renewals (25 new members and 4 renewals) and reported on T-Shirt sales (16 sold at \$5 each). I read the Press Release that I wrote entitled "Restoration Committee Needs \$6,000" and asked for the comments from my colleagues. They all agreed that it sounded very good and I will give it to the NEWS. In the Release I announce the installation and dedication of the Carbondale Historical Marker on the 25th of September at 10 A.M. My colleagues approve. We decide to meet on one Thursday and on one Saturday per month. I reported that Dr. Coleman asked me during Pioneer Days if the Committee would be willing to present some programs in the auditorium at St. Joseph's during the year. Yes, I said, and Dr. Coleman said that he would make some arrangements and let me know what he had scheduled. Excellent I replied. I read the "thank you for becoming a member of the Committee" letter that I wrote and mailed to all new members. The letter was praised by the members present. Joe Pascoe mentioned that Nan Loftus would not be in attendance because of the fact that she was home canning. I can't quite imagine Nan Loftus at work canning. Canning seems to be much too mundane of a task for her to be involved in. Joe Pascoe assured me that Nan Loftus would be happy to be the Membership Secretary of the Committee--I refer to her as such in the Press Release, stating that the "Membership Secretary, Nan Loftus, reported that..." We compiled a list of "Thank You" letters that will have to be written to the people who helped the Committee during Pioneer Days. In a letter to me, Bob Tomaine reported that Joe Burrell feels that the Committee is not focusing on the task at hand, i.e., restoring CCH. Without mentioning any names, I launched into a tirade on the fact that all of the Committee's activities were directed at the restoration of the building. Pioneer Days, historical markers, reprints, cleaning the park--all these things are part of the public relations package that we have to assemble in order to accomplish our objectives. I reported that we must engage in lots of activities in the community as a whole so that people know who we are and what we stand for. The Community must recognize us as a group of conscientious, caring, responsible individuals. When they do, they will take out their wallets and be generous. The public must become confident that we will do what we say we will do and that we can be trusted and relied on and that we will do what we say we are going to do with great taste. Everything that we do helps Carbondale City Hall. The question of a Carbondale Museum was brought up, by myself. We must establish one and we must do so soon. People will give us things if we provide a structure whereby they can. It's as simple as that. Bob Tomaine and I will speak to Miss Muldoon about establishing the Carbondale Museum in the Library, and we will speak to her on Friday P.M.

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At the beginning of the meeting Rev. Pullis mentioned that he had had some correspondence/communication with a Thomas or Frank Davis, Jr. whose great, great, great, great grandfather was deeded certain lands in Carbondale by the Wurts brothers and that this Frank or Thomas Davis, Jr. had the deed, the original deed from the Wurts brothers to his ancestor. This Mr. Davis, at Rev. Pullis' suggestion, will send the deed to us. Excellent. This is the kind of thing we must encourage. People have tales to tell and they will tell them if they find out about someone who wants to listen. By the same token, many people have lots of things that they will give us if they find out that we are interested in having them. All you have to do is to provide the structure and people will load you down with their treasures. The Committee agreed that if Dr. Coleman is to arrange a meeting/show/presentation at which the Committee will do one of its programs, that the best time would be 7 or 7:30 in the evening and we might as well do it on a Thursday night. We will make it one of our regular meetings. The St. Joseph's Hospital seems to be brilliantly successful at raising money and if we hold a show/fund raiser at St. Joseph's perhaps some of the money magic of St. Joseph's will rub off on us, i. e., City Hall. The name of the young man who lent us the tape recorder/player for Pioneer Days is Scott Leonard. He is JVB's (or Richard's or both of their) friend from Dickson Hill. The topic of the merger of the CRCCH and the CHS was again brought up by Joe Pascoe. Yes, I think it's a good idea. Tomaine and I met with Anne Muldoon on Friday afternoon and got her approval and will ask Paul Starzer and at a meeting in October--probably on October 7--if he is in favor of a merger. Paul Starzer was the last president of the CHS. Certainly he will say yes. After all, in merging with the CHS we will be bringing back from the dead the CHS. Also during our meeting with Miss Muldoon we got her approval to establish a Carbondale Museum in the Carbondale Public Library--the CM will be housed in the CPL on a temporary basis, which means that it can be housed there for years and that will be fine with Miss Muldoon. If the arrangement is for a permanent place for the CM then the Library's board would have to approve of the move but since it is only temporary the board will not have to meet and grant its approval. Tomaine and I spent a very nice hour or so with Miss Muldoon. We (Tomaine and I) met at McDonnell's at one o'clock and went to the CPL together. Tomaine seems to be back on the track once again and his energies are being channeled (by me) into CRCCH's ends. At the meeting on Thursday night or perhaps after the meeting at Mister Donut or perhaps on Friday afternoon, I can't remember which time, he suggested that we house the METRO's photography show in 301 CCH. All we have to do is finish the room and hold the show in 301. We shall have an opening and we shall invite specific individuals particularly and make a big fuss and "301" will be launched and once again there will be life on the third floor of CCH and that will be grand. On Saturday afternoon at one of the clock Tomaine and I met and went up to 301 and began taking the cracking plaster from the walls of 301 in preparation for the replastering and painting. We spent an hour or two so doing and then Tomaine left and I continued on for an hour or so myself and I cleaned up the floor entirely when I had finished chipping away the plaster and I put all the garbage into bags and stacked them (2 bags) neatly at the side of the room. I swept the room and placed the table in an appropriate position and put chairs at it and dusted them off well and sat down in one of them and enjoyed the room and imagined how nice it will look when it is completed. I want to paint the entire room white except for the window frames and door: a white room will make the point of cleanliness and newness and with a few photographs on the walls it will be very elegant and eloquent.